

DEMOCRATS UNITE AS TO TARIFF BILL

Party in Senate to Agree on
Revision Downward.

CULBERSON MAKES STATEMENT

Long Meeting Is Held in the Office
of the Texas Senator for Discus-
sion of the Measure—All Members
Heardily Favor the Bailey Amend-
ment for an Income Tax.

The Democrats are not trying to hold
their members in the Senate to a party
vote except on general provisions in the
tariff bill, and for a general revision
downward.

This announcement was made yesterday
after Senator Culbertson and the Demo-
crats held a meeting in his office
and discussed the Aldrich bill for more
than two hours.

The meeting was marked by harmony,
and when it adjourned, all the members
of the minority expressed themselves as
highly pleased with the outlook. They
dearly there has been any friction in their
ranks, and assert that upon no question
are the members more in accord than
they are on their policy toward the re-
vision of the tariff.

All the members are heartily in favor
of the Bailey amendment for an income
tax of 2 per cent on all incomes of more
than \$3,000, and it is not expected that a
single Democratic vote will be cast
against it. Senator Bailey said yesterday
that he had received pledges from
twelve or fifteen Republicans who will
support his amendment, and that he does
not believe that it will be defeated.

Fifteen Votes Needed.

With the thirty-one Democrats now
members of the Senate, the minority
needs fifteen Republican votes to make
a majority, and the Democratic leaders
are expressing confidence they will have
plenty of strength when the time comes.
This amendment was discussed again yes-
terday, and although Senator Bailey was
absent from the meeting on account of
private business, there were several
speeches made in its behalf.

Other Democrats who were absent from
the meeting were Bacon, Davis, Clarke
of Arkansas, Tillman, Tallaferrro, Smith
of South Carolina, and Martin. It was
said, however, that the absentees were in
accord with their party, and the fact that
they were not present caused no criti-
cism.

The Democrats favor a stamp tax, and
yesterday a committee was named to
draw this provision. It will be considered
at a meeting the first of next week.

Senator Cummins will introduce an
amendment Monday providing for an in-
come tax on all incomes of more than
\$4,000. While it has not been announced
officially, it is said this will provide for
a sliding scale of taxation, beginning with
2 per cent on the lower incomes and rang-
ing as high as 4 per cent. His amend-
ment will differ from the Bailey amend-
ment, in that it will not subject cor-
porations to taxation on incomes or divi-
dends.

The Cummins proposition was not un-
derstood by the Democrats yesterday, and
none of them were prepared to say if it
would be supported if the Bailey amend-
ment falls. It is the plan, however, to
stand by the amendment of the Texas
Senator, as this will be the party action,
he being the ranking Democrat on the
Committee on Finance.

Radicals Favor Tax.

The radical Republicans in both Houses
of Congress are strongly in favor of tax-
ing the larger incomes, and it is believed
that if the question is put to a vote it
will be carried. There was some talk yes-
terday to the effect that the Republican
leaders have realized this, and that they
would not fight the amendment, but the
report was not confirmed by Senator
Aldrich or Senator Hale. Both of these
said they had not heard of any such
movement.

It is regarded in some quarters as cer-
tain that the President will give his
support to an income tax law properly
drawn. With this belief as the basis, sev-
eral of the Democrats in the Senate are
going to visit the White House within
the next few days and bring the matter
up in conference.

In a speech in Cincinnati last summer,
and also in his inaugural address, the
President referred briefly to an income
tax law, and other public statements he
has made lead many members of Con-
gress to believe that he will support such
a measure if he thinks it is drawn so as
to pass the Supreme Court.

Duty on Hides Urged.

Sentiment seems to be growing stronger
in the Senate in favor of a duty of 10
per cent ad valorem on hides. The House
bill placed hides on the free list, but so
much pressure has been brought to bear
upon the members of the upper branch
of Congress that it is believed the duty
will be restored. It was said yesterday
that members of the House who favor
the duty of \$1 a thousand on rough lum-
ber, and the duty of 25 cents a bushel on
barley, would be willing to vote in order
to carry their point. If this combination is
effected, it will cut into the free hides
strength in the House considerably, and
it is thought the House conferees would
be free to grant the concession.

The Democrats are going to hold an
another meeting on Monday morning, and
then it may be decided what action they
will take on some of the schedules. As
yet they have reached no agreement as
to individual provisions, and, in fact,
have not discussed anything in caucus
except the general provisions.

Senator Culbertson said yesterday that

the caucus was not even binding on the
members, and that they simply hold their
meetings to feel the pulses of the mem-
bers and determine the sense of the party
as to certain provisions.

AERONAUTICS AT FORT MYER.

Signal Service Announces Summer
Training for Men There.

Preparations are being made at Fort
Myer for experiment this summer. An-
nouncement has been made by the signal
service of the War Department that
officers and men will be trained in aero-
nautics at this post and at Fort Omaha,
Nebr.

Two officers and several privates have
already been detailed for aerial work at
Fort Omaha, and the detail for Fort
Myer will be made at an early date. Fort
Omaha is fully equipped with balloons,
sheds and other aerial paraphernalia,
and such structures are being needed will
shortly be installed at Fort Myer.

Valley to Be Superintendent.

Postmaster General Hitchcock has se-
lected Frank W. Valley, of Oregon, for
promotion to superintendent of the new
thirteenth division, Railway Mail Ser-
vice. His salary will be \$3,000. Mr. Valley
is present in assistant division superin-
tendent. He has been in the government
service since 1877.

HEARING ON PHILIPPINE BILL

Ways and Means Committee Will
Give Hearing Next Tuesday.

The Ways and Means Committee of the
House of Representatives will give a
hearing on Tuesday on the bill introduced
by Representative Payne on Thursday
for a Philippine tariff.

It is thought the bill can be reported
to the House next Thursday, and con-
sideration of it will be begun either that
day or the following Monday, when the
House meets again.

BILL AS ROOSEVELT WISHED

Conferees Include Civil Service Pro-
vision in Census Measure.

Requirement for Year's Residence
by All Applicants Stricken Out.
Money for New Building.

The Senate and House conferees on the
Census bill yesterday reached an agree-
ment, and are ready to report the meas-
ure back to the two branches of Con-
gress just about in the form former
President Roosevelt said it should be
when he vetoed the measure passed dur-
ing the closing days of last session.

The bill now carries certain civil ser-
vice provisions, and it was upon its fail-
ure to do this that the former Presi-
dent refused to sign it. It does not,
however, require the supervisors in the
various Congressional districts of the
country to take the examination.

The McCumber amendment, that pro-
vided that all applicants for positions
must have been bona fide residents for
at least one year before making their
applications, was stricken out. This was
put in by the Senate, and was of wide-
spread interest in Washington, because
there are hundreds of persons who live
in the District of Columbia who could
not show actual residence in any State
or Territory.

The Senate also receded from its
amendments cutting down the salaries of
the director, assistant director, and
other high officials. As the bill now
stands, it provides for a salary of \$7,500
for the director, \$5,000 for the assistant
director, \$3,500 for the chief statistician,
and \$3,000 for the bureau chief. The
minimum salary for clerks is \$720.

It was decided also to retain the Sen-
ate amendment providing for the ex-
penditure of \$750,000 for a site and the
erection of a census building. The bill
gives authority to the Secretary of the
Treasury to select and purchase the
site. This amendment takes the place
of that of the House, which provided
\$650,000 for the purchase of the site at
First and B streets northwest.

The action of the Senate does not pre-
vent the Secretary of the Treasury
carrying out the plans of the House and
deciding upon this site, but simply gives
him the power to choose another location
if he sees fit.

TAXIMETERS WILL BE TESTED

Commissioner West Takes Step to
Prevent Overcharging.

New Schedule of Fares Will Prob-
ably Be Issued Next Week—Expert
Auditors Preparing Report.

Hand in hand with the establishment of
a new taxicab tariff will be a systematic
inspection of the taximeters by the prop-
erly constituted authorities to guard
against inaccuracies and overcharging.

Commissioner West re-enforced his order
of January 28 regarding the inspection of
the measuring instruments by further in-
structions to the police yesterday morn-
ing. Maj. Sylvester, chief of police, has
the highest and most accurate taxicab re-
gulation, because of doubt as to his exact
jurisdiction, but it is not believed that
any serious legal entanglements will ob-
struct the District government in its at-
tempt to safeguard the public.

Maj. Sylvester declares that, by a de-
cision of the courts, none of the taxicabs
in use in the District of Columbia is a
public vehicle, and, therefore, does not
need a public license to be operated. Com-
missioner West believes that, on the prin-
ciple whereby a faulty scale in the gro-
cery store is corrected by the sealer of
weights and measures, an inaccurate tax-
imeter, by which the taxicab company
sells its transportation, is a proper subject
for regulation.

The new schedule of taxicab fares will
probably be issued by the Commissioner
next week. Expert auditors of the Dis-
trict have examined the books of the
Terminal Taxicab Company, to determine
just what a fair and reasonable charge
is, and their report will be given to the
board by Monday or Tuesday. The Fed-
eral Taxicab Company have declined to
allow any inspection of its books, the
Commissioners will proceed without this
basis for their work.

CHARLES PHILLIPS RELEASED.

Negro Indicted in Henry W. Reid
Murder Case Set Free.

At the request of United States At-
torney Baker, Justice Anderson, of the
District Supreme Court, yesterday re-
leased Charles Phillips, indicted for murder
in connection with the death of
Henry W. Reid, on his personal bonds,
to appear for the House conferees who
are attending the trial.

Attorneys Mattingly, Connolly, and
Heron asked Justice Anderson to require
Mr. Baker either to set a date for trial,
to nolle pros. the case, the court held
it was without authority to grant this
request, and would allow the United
States attorney a reasonable time in
which to bring the case to a conclusion.

FOOD TO BE FREE FROM DUST.

Health Officer Woodward Plans to
Carry Out the Law.

In pursuance of his campaign for safe-
guarding the public food supply, Health
Officer W. C. Woodward yesterday recom-
mended to the Commissioners that the
transportation of meat and similar food-
stuffs through the streets be prohibited,
unless carefully wrapped and protected
from dust and dirt.

A regulation, recently promulgated, for-
bids the display of edible ware in
open-air markets without protection from
dust. The supplementary one, as recom-
mended yesterday, is meant to carry out
the full purpose of the law.

Inquest Over Body of E. L. Clarke.

An inquest will be held this morning
over the body of Edward L. Clarke, spe-
cial watchman at the Government Hos-
pital for the Insane, who died at Provi-
dence Hospital early yesterday morning
from injuries received when struck by a
car at Third street and Pennsylvania
avenue southeast. R. Hummer, the mot-
orman, and G. T. Daniels, conductor,
are held at the Fifth precinct police sta-
tion pending investigation by the coron-
er's jury.

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Nominations Are in Order Until the Last Day
of This Contest.

THE BEST TIME TO ENTER IS NOW

Candidates Will Find It Very Easy in Some of the
Country Districts.

Thursday we gave you the change in
the number of votes which each candi-
date in this contest has received. You
probably observed that no great change
had been made, a fact in which you
should find a deal of encouragement. It
is only another illustration of the ease
with which these prizes are going to be
won. However, we are duly grateful for
what has been done, and shall continue
to hope that you will yet decide to enter
the race. Perhaps you have only been
waiting to see what the other contestants
were doing. Well, you have seen. We
cannot conceive of any reason why a man
or woman should hang back when there
are prizes of such great value to be won.
Others have been quick enough to seize
the opportunity. Are you unable to see
it as they do? Please remember that it
is not too late to send in your nomina-
tion. That may be done right up to the
date of closing, July 2. Of course, it
would be rank foolishness to wait that
long. You know yourself that the proper
time to do anything is now, and this rule
applies particularly to this contest. You
do not have to go to any expense your-
self. Your friends will give you their
subscriptions without any argument what-
ever. Many of them, when they learn
that you are in the race, will not wait
for you to see them, but will approach
you upon their own initiative. You do not
have to wait for any of these, and you
can get a nomination blank from The Washington
Herald, fill in the blanks with your name
and address, and forward it to the con-
test manager. This will give you 1,000
votes as a start toward winning the prize
of your choice. It is very easy to under-
stand this much, and anything else you
do not understand about it will be promptly
explained to you by the contest manager
or one of his assistants.

HOW VOTES WILL BE ISSUED

—IN—

THE WASHINGTON HERALD'S VOTING CONTEST.

A number of inquiries have been received regarding the scale of votes
in The Washington Herald's Great Voting Contest, which leads us to be-
lieve it necessary to publish the Declining Vote Scale in each issue of
this paper. Below will be found any information you may desire upon this
subject.

FIRST PERIOD—From March 27 to May 1, 1909.

BY MAIL OR CARRIER.	Price.	No. of votes.	
		New	Old
1 month's subscription Daily & Sunday Herald.....	\$3.50	250	100
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6 months' subscription Daily & Sunday Herald.....	3.00	3,000	1,000
1 year's subscription Daily & Sunday Herald.....	6.00	9,000	3,000
2 years' subscription Daily & Sunday Herald.....	12.00	24,000	8,000
3 years' subscription Daily & Sunday Herald.....	18.00	40,000	13,000

Daily Herald, without Sunday edition, at 40 cents per month, or \$4.80 a
year. Twenty per cent less votes will be issued from the above scale.

SECOND PERIOD—From May 3 to June 15, 1909.

BY MAIL OR CARRIER.	Price.	No. of votes.	
		New	Old
1 month's subscription Daily & Sunday Herald.....	\$3.50	225	75
3 months' subscription Daily & Sunday Herald.....	1.50	900	300
6 months' subscription Daily & Sunday Herald.....	3.00	2,250	750
1 year's subscription Daily & Sunday Herald.....	6.00	6,750	2,250
2 years' subscription Daily & Sunday Herald.....	12.00	15,000	6,000
3 years' subscription Daily & Sunday Herald.....	18.00	30,000	10,000

THIRD PERIOD—From June 16 to July 3, 1909.

BY MAIL OR CARRIER.	Price.	No. of votes.	
		New	Old
1 month's subscription Daily & Sunday Herald.....	\$3.50	250	100
3 months' subscription Daily & Sunday Herald.....	1.50	1,250	400
6 months' subscription Daily & Sunday Herald.....	3.00	3,000	1,000
1 year's subscription Daily & Sunday Herald.....	6.00	4,500	1,500
2 years' subscription Daily & Sunday Herald.....	12.00	12,000	4,000
3 years' subscription Daily & Sunday Herald.....	18.00	20,000	6,500

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Court-martial to Probe Charges.

Secretary of the Navy Meyer has ap-
pointed a court-martial to investigate the
conduct of Lieut. F. W. Osborn, of the
1st Cavalry, who was charged with the
murder of Cheyenne. It is said Lieut. Os-
born is charged by Lieut. Evans with
being the cause of the latter separating
from his wife.

Funeral of Mrs. Bradford.

Funeral services for Mrs. Virginia Pat-
erson Bradford, who died on Thursday
of pneumonia at her residence, 1511 L
street, will be held in St. Patrick's Cath-
olic Church this morning. Mrs. Bradford's
death was unexpected. She was em-
ployed in the Post-office Department.

TATTS HEARS FACTS OF CHILD LABOR

Executive Council, A. F. of L.,
Calls on President.

GOMPERS EMPHASIZES NEEDS

Two More Inspectors May Be Em-
ployed by District as Result of
Conference—Chief Executive Agrees
to Attend Unveiling of Monument
at Fort Mahone May 19.

What the labor interests demand of the
administration was told by members of
the executive council of the American
Federation of Labor at a conference with
the President yesterday afternoon.

That is, they told the President some of
the things they want, but they did not
discuss the pending strike in Pennsylvania,
or the boycott provision of the anti-trust law.

The chief topic of conversation was
child labor, and Mr. Gompers and his as-
sociates were very plain in putting facts
before the President which, they say,
opened his eyes.

They told him of the crying need for the
enforcement of the law in all sections of
the country, and especially in the District
of Columbia. They asked that two more
inspectors be allowed for the District,
and urged him to include this suggestion
in an early message to Congress. The
President assured his callers that he was
especially interested in the child labor
question, and that if two more inspectors
were needed in the District they could be
employed, that he would give the matter
his personal attention.

No Difficulty Expected.

The appropriation bill for the District
of Columbia for the current year con-
tained an item of \$2,400 for two additional
inspectors, but this provision was cut out
by the House. Little influence was
brought to bear upon the members, and
it is believed there will be no trouble in
passing such a measure if the Representa-
tives are told of the real conditions.

The labor leaders also told the Presi-
dent that American laborers were being
discharged in the Canal Zone, and for-
eigners substituted in their places. The
President said that he had not heard of
any such thing, and that he would have
the matter investigated and corrected im-
mediately.

An appeal was made also to the Presi-
dent for the enforcement of the eight-
hour law in all government offices. The
labor leaders were especially insistent on
this demand.

The meeting of the President and the
labor leaders was unusually cordial. The
visitors did most of the talking, and
when he had heard their appeals the
President assured them that he was go-
ing to do whatever he could for them.
It will be remembered that during the
campaign President Gompers was very
bitter toward the President, and wrote
many editorials assailing his action while
on the Federal bench of Ohio, for labor
decisions. The President, however, was
not touched by any of these, and says he
will not swerve from the path he has
mapped out as his course toward organ-
ized labor.

Members of the Party.

In the party were: Samuel Gompers,
president; James Duncan, vice president;
Frank Morrison, secretary; John B. Len-
non, treasurer; John Mitchell, second vice
president; James O'Connell, third vice
president; Max Morris, fourth vice pres-
ident; D. A. Hayes, fifth vice president;
William D. Huber, sixth vice president;
Joseph F. Valentine, seventh vice pres-
ident; John R. Alpine, eighth vice pres-
ident.

The President told a large number of
Pennsylvania and Virginia citizens who
called on him during the day, that he
would attend the unveiling of the monu-
ment at Fort Mahone, May 19. This
monument will be dedicated to the Penn-
sylvania troops who took part in the
siege by Gen. Grant.

The day following, the President will
attend the celebration of the Mecklenburg
Declaration of Independence in North
Carolina.

Former Senator Fulton, of Oregon, has
telegraphed his refusal of the offer of
appointment as Minister to China, to the
White House. The President earnestly
desires to appoint Mr. Fulton to this
post, and it was expected that he would
accept. It is believed by some politicians
that the refusal was prompted by the
fact that Mr. Fulton is the candidate
of the new judgeship in Oregon. The Presi-
dent favored him for this place, but found
it impracticable to appoint him.

Decision Against Robins.

Oscar L. Robins will not be appointed
surveyor of the port at Dayton, Ohio.
This has been decided by the President
following several conferences with Ohio-
nians who came to Washington to register
their protests against Mr. Robins. He
had the support of the Republican or-
ganization, but other sources overcame
this strength.

Senator Burton talked to the President
not only about a number of Ohio ap-
pointments that are hanging in the air, but
also about the election in Cleveland next
Tuesday, when his successor in the
House of Representatives will be chosen.
James B. Cassidy, secretary of the
Rivers and Harbors Committee while Mr.
Burton was its chairman, is the candi-
date of the Democrats, while M. B. Ex-
cel is the Democratic nominee.

The President was asked by Senators
Smoot and Heyburn to appoint W. H.
Battling register of the land office at
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

James J. Hill, the railroad magnate,
was another caller at the Executive of-
fices. He said he had nothing in particu-
lar to talk about, that he had simply
called to pay his respects to the Presi-
dent.

Representative Dawson, of Iowa, was
another caller. He had with him Charles
A. Stewart, a postal inspector of that
State.

Taft to Attend Gridiron Dinner.

President Taft will attend his first
Gridiron Club dinner as the nation's
Chief Executive to-night. The dinner
will be at the New Willard Hotel, and
covers for two hundred guests will be
laid. Music, satire, wit, and fun will
mark the dinner, one of the regular af-
fairs of the club.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

John D. Alderson, 54 Summersville, W.
Va., and Emma K. Reed, 34 Rev. J. T.
Hickory, 22, Rev. J. J. Muller.
William Pashler, 31, and Katherine Fin-
nan, 28, Rev. J. J. Muller.
Edna E. Ransom, 24, and Annie An-
derson, 22, Rev. J. H. Taylor.
Jesse W. Crites, 25, Wilmington, Del.,
and Ruth D. Griffith, 22, Rev. H. A. Grif-
fith.
Edward Cissell, 23, and Lillian Sans, 24,
Rev. W. L. Lyons.

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Osborne F. Dennis, 48, and Irene John-
son, 38, Rev. J. E. Thomas.
James Williams, 24, and Florence Rob-
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Joseph H. Jones, 30, and Bettie Nickens,
28, Rev. M. W. Clair.

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